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For: METHODS FOR MEASURING A SURFACE PROFILE OF AN OPTICAL ELEMENT Enclosed are:

- X 10 pages of specification, 3 pages of claims (all in the Japanese language, 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d)), and a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned).
- 5 sheet(s) of drawings. M
- M Applicants claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of the respective earlier filing dates of Japan Patent Application No. 2000-346505, filed on November 14, 2000, and Japan Patent Application No. 2001-336084, filed November 1, 2001.
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